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In re Application of :  
Yoshiyuki FUROMOTO et al. :  
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For: ROTOR FOR A SPINNING REEL :  
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Assistant Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In accordance with MPEP 609 and 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, Applicant brings the attached reference to the Examiner's attention and requests that it be considered and made of record in this application. Also attached is a completed PTO-1449 form.

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European Patent Application Publication No. 0369904 discloses in Figure 2 a bobbin 2 that is rotatable about the axis I-I. Figures 1, 3, 4, 6, and 7 show the fishing reel from the side only, and do not show the first and second lines as set forth in claim 1 of the present application.

Japanese Patent Application Publication No. 10-276629 discloses a fishing reel having a rotor 3, a pivotable fishing line guide portion 42. There is no disclosure of the first and second lines as set forth in claim 1 of the present application.

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Prompt examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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